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SUBJECT: PRESS SUMMARY - AUGUST 18

- 1. NYT (PAGE 3) REUTERS FROM BONN REPORTS ON BRANDT MEMOIRS BEING PUBLISHED THERE AND HIS VIEW OF BREZHNEV WHO AT TIMES COULD BE "IMPULSIVE AND IRRITABLE" AND WHO WAS SUBJECT TO EMOTIONAL OUTBURSTS WHEN DISCUSSING WW II AND "WAS NOT ASHAMED OF SUDDENLY BREAKING INTO TEARS."
- 2. NYT (PAGE 7) AP REPORTS U.S. HAS PROTESTED TO SOVIET UNION THAT NOT ENOUGH AMERICAN-OWNED AND MANNED SHIPS ARE BEING USED TO CARRY GRAIN TO SOVIET UNION. ALSO OTHER PAPERS.
- 3. NYT (PAGE 29) REPORTS FROM OTTAWA YOUNG SOVIET DIVER WHO DEFECTED HAS DECIDED TO RETURN HOME. ALSO OTHER PAPERS.
- 4. NYT (OP-ED PAGE) EDITORIAL "SOVIET NUCLEAR TESTS" CONCLUDES THAT UNTIL FACT OF A BREACH IN UNDERGROUND AGREEMENT IS ESTABLISHED AND CONSULTATIONS HELD WITH SOVIETS, JUDGMENT IS BEST RESERVED, BUT THERE IS NO UNCLASSIFIED

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BASIS IN THE INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE FOR CHARGING THAT

## ANY SIGNIFICANT AMERICAN INTEREST HAS BEEN DAMAGED.

- 5. SUN (PAGE 2) REPORTS FROM JERUSALEM THAT ISRAELI GOVERNMENT IS CONSIDERING PROPOSAL TO REFUSE VISAS FOR SOVIET JEWS WHO WANT TO LEAVE RUSSIA BUT DO NOT WANT TO MOVE TO ISRAEL, WITH SECOND PROPOSAL UNDER CONSIDERATION THAT WOULD BAR ALL JEWISH AID GROUPS FROM HELPING SOVIET JEWS WHO DO RECEIVE ISRAELI VISAS BUT WANT TO GO TO OTHER COUNTRIES.
- 6. WP (PAGE 4) OSWALD JOHNSTON SAYS THE SOVIET UNION HAS COMPLAINED TO THE FORD ADMINISTRATION ABOUT ISRAELI NAVAL PATROLS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN THAT HAVE BEEN INTERCEPTING SUPPLIES BOUND FOR LEFTIST AND PALESTINE FORCES IN THE LEBANESE CIVIL WAR.
- 7. WP (PAGE 22) AP FROM MOSCOW REPORTS PRAVDA COMMENT THAT FORD'S CONCESSIONS TO ATTACKS FROM THE RIGHT DID NOT RESULT IN POLITICAL DIVIDENDS FOR HIM.
- 8. WP (PAGE 24) REUTERS FROM SUDA BAY, CRETE, SAYS WESTERN ANALYSTS SAY SOVIET NAVY IN MEDITERRANEAN OFFERS NO SERIOUS CHALLENGE TO ALLIANCE SUPREMACY THERE DUE TO ITS LACK OF HOME PORTING FACILITIES WHERE SHIPS CAN GO FOR SUPPLIES AND REPAIRS OR FROM WHERE LAND-BASED SOVIET AIRCRAFT COULD DEFEND THEM IN TIME OF WAR.
- 9. SUN (PAGE 9) REPORTS FROM BALTIMORE THAT PICKET LINES, MANNED BY MARITIME UNION MEMBERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICAN-FLAG STEAMSHIP COMPANIES, WERE PLACED AT FEDERAL OFFICES THERE AND 11 OTHER PORT CITIES YESTERDAY TO PROTECT ALLEGED VIOLATIONS BY SOVIET UNION OF ITS BILATERAL SHIPPING AGREEMENT WITH U.S.
- 10. SUN (PAGE C-5) AP FROM MOSCOW REPORTS TASS NOTING THE SOVIET UNION WILL BEGIN A NEW INSTANT LOTTERY IN OCTOBER TO RAISE MONEY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES FOR THE 1980 OLYMPIC GAMES IN MOSCOW. UNCLASSIFIED

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11. WSJ (PAGE 10) REPORTS THAT, ACCORDING TO NEW CIA STUDY, SOVIET UNION'S GROWTH RATE IN 1976-80 PROBABLY WILL BE FOUR PER CENT A YEAR INSTEAD OF THE PLANNED FIVE PER CENT, AND MOSCOW WILL BE ABLE ONCE MORE TO DELAY A BASIC ECONOMIC OVERHAUL ALTHOUGH POSTPONING CHANGES WILL ONLY MAKE IT HARDER TO SOLVE PROBLEMS LATER

12. STAR (PAGE 3) BRIEF AP ITEM FROM MOSCOW REPORTS TASS REPORT THAT LUNA 24 MADE A SUCCESSFUL SOFT LANDING ON THE MOON.

13. STAR (PAGE 4) THE WORLD SECTION REPORTS FROM LONDON AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL SAYS IT HAD REPORTS OF FIVE MORE PERSONS CONFINED TO SOVIET PSYCHIATRIC INSTITUTIONS FOR POLITICAL OR RELIGIOUS VIEWS. KISSINGER

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